CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

11020 Sun Center Drive, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114

PUBLIC HEARING

concerning

RESOLUTION TO ADD
INFORMATION SHEET TO THE
CONDITIONAL WAIVERS OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
FOR
DISCHARGES FROM IRRIGATED LANDS
WITHIN THE CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

On 11 July 2003, the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) adopted Resolution No. R5-2003-0105, *Conditional Waivers of Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges From Irrigated Lands Within the Central Valley Region* (Conditional Waivers) pursuant to Water Code Section 13269 for discharges from irrigated lands to surface waters.

The Central Valley Water Board will consider adopting a Resolution, which would add an Information Sheet to the Conditional Waivers in response to a ruling of the Sacramento County Superior Court on 10 May 2005. The proposed Information Sheet addresses the extent to which the Conditional Waivers are intended to apply to agricultural dominated waterways, constructed agricultural drains and other non-stream tributaries using the Basin Plan's Tributary Rule.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Water Board meeting, which is scheduled for:

DATE: **20 October 2005**

TIME: No earlier than **8:30 A.M.**

PLACE: Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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Persons wishing to comment on this noticed hearing item must submit such comments in writing to the Water Board no later than **18 October 2005**. Comments will be accepted on the proposed revisions only, not on the entire Conditional Waivers. Written comments submitted after **18 October 2005** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record unless allowed by the Water Board.

All interested persons may speak at the Water Board meeting and are expected to orally summarize their written comments. Oral testimony will be limited in time by the Water Board Chairman.

Anyone having questions on this matter should contact Ms. Wendy Cohen at (916) 464-5817. Interested parties may download related documents from the Water Board's Internet website at

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http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/programs/irrigated_lands/index.html#News. Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Water Board's office at 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

The procedures governing Water Board hearings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and is available upon request. Hearings before the Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_laws/index.html. Information on meeting and hearing procedures are also available on the Water Board's website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_meetings/mtgprocd.html or by contacting any one of the Water Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Janice Tanaka at (916) 464-4839.

The meeting facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Tanaka at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

(<u>original signed by K. Landau</u>)
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